# North Pacific Ecosystem Metadatabase (NPEM)

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- ✓ makes data search fast and easy
- houses metadata of the North Pacific ecosystem
- ✓ browsable and searchable on-line inventory of data and other info

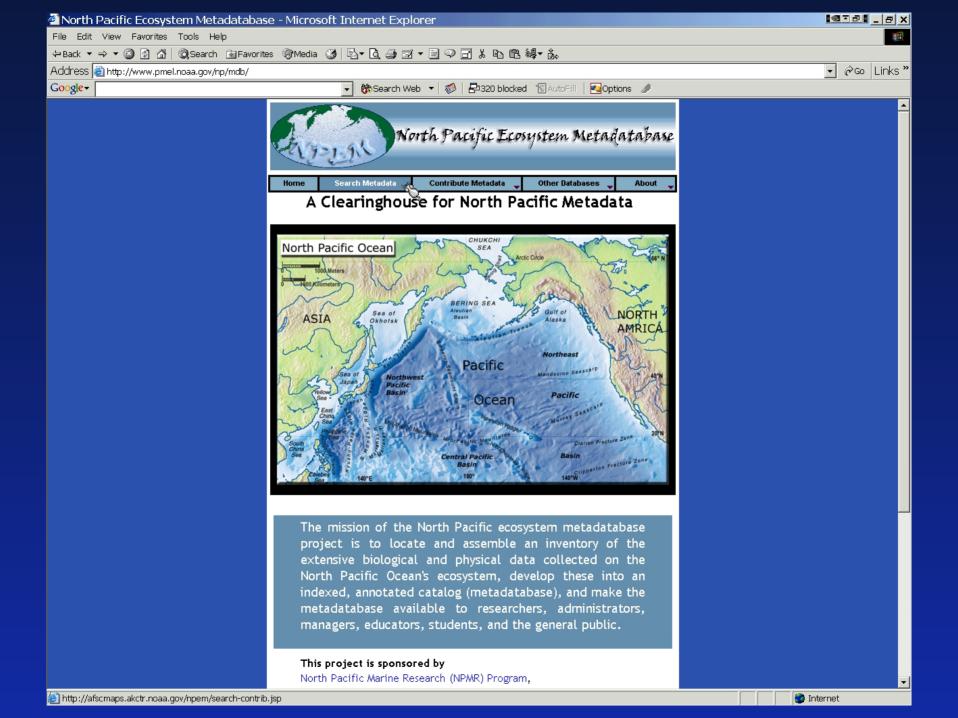
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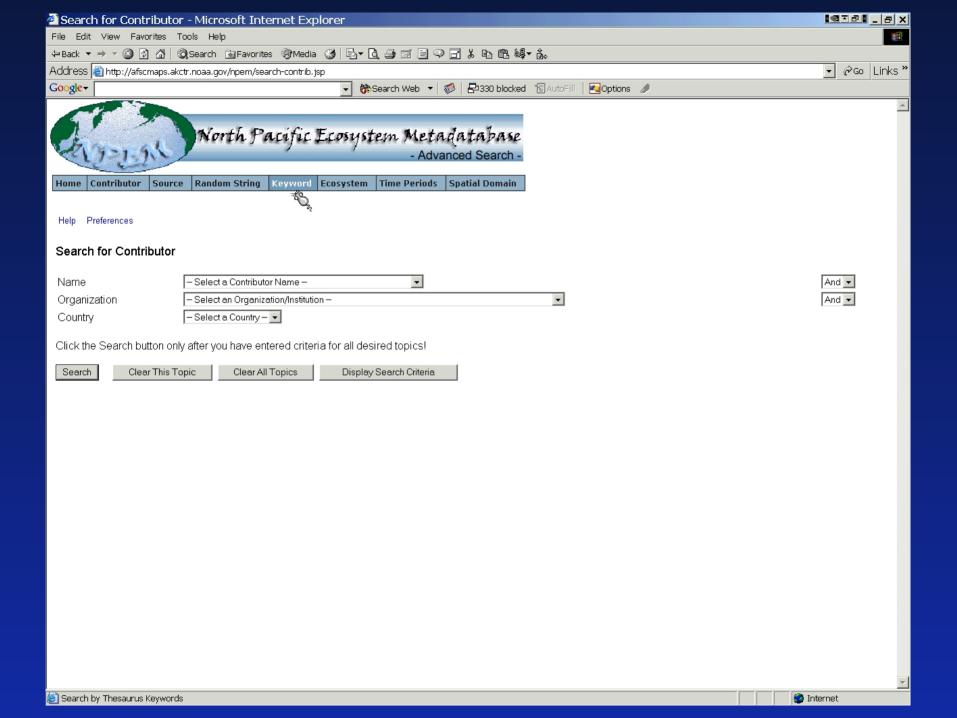
- ✓ data about data
- ✓ information about data
- describe the characteristics of data

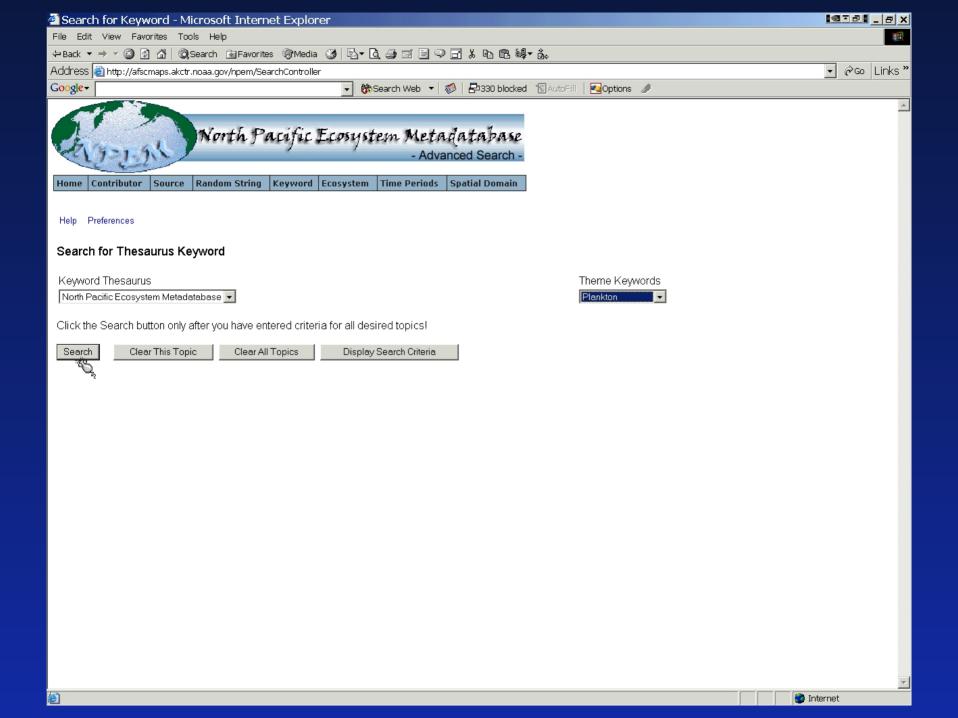
## Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) Standard

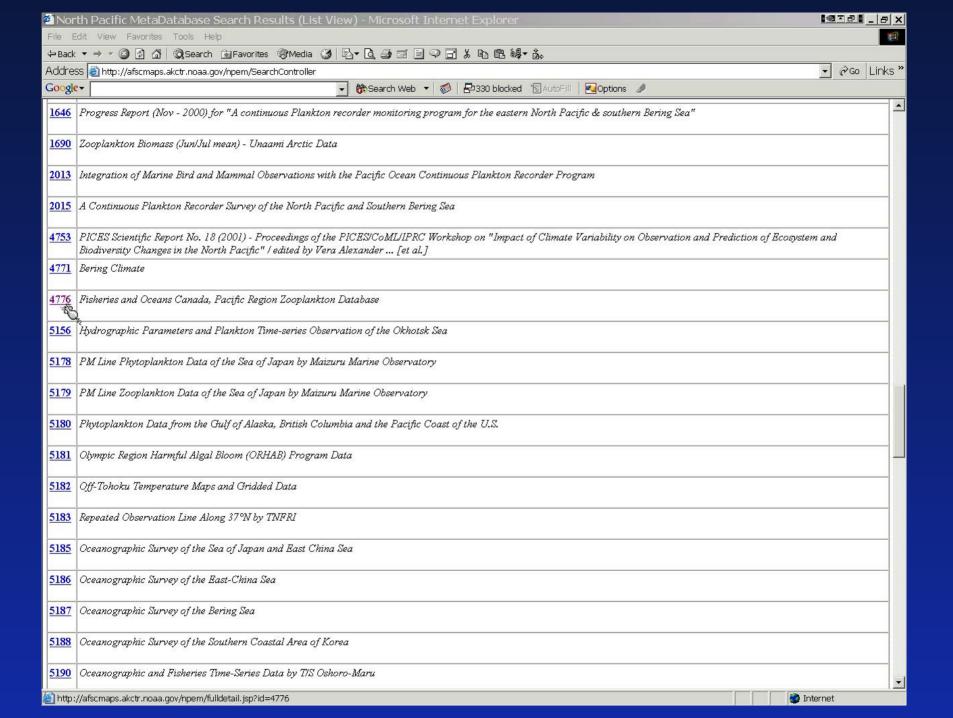
- √ 1994 Presidential Executive Order
- a common set of terminology and definitions

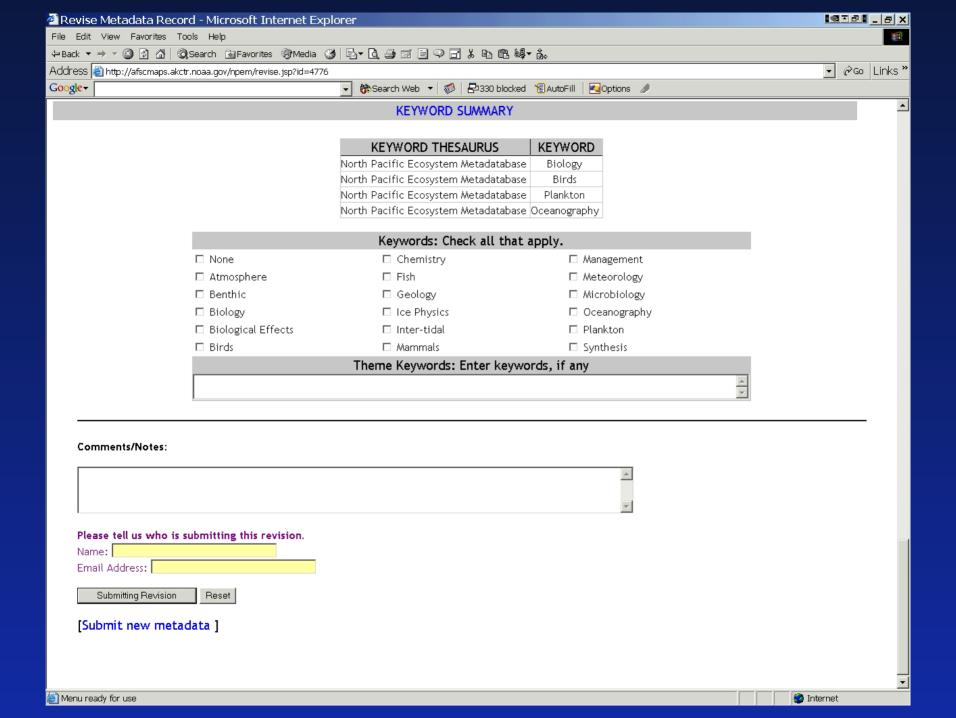
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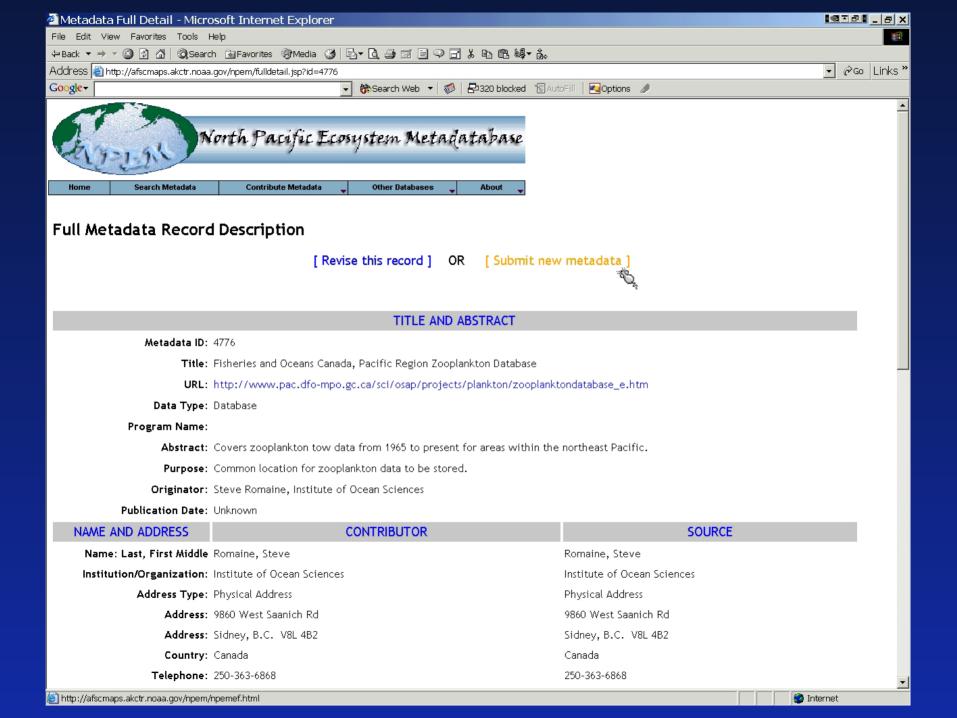


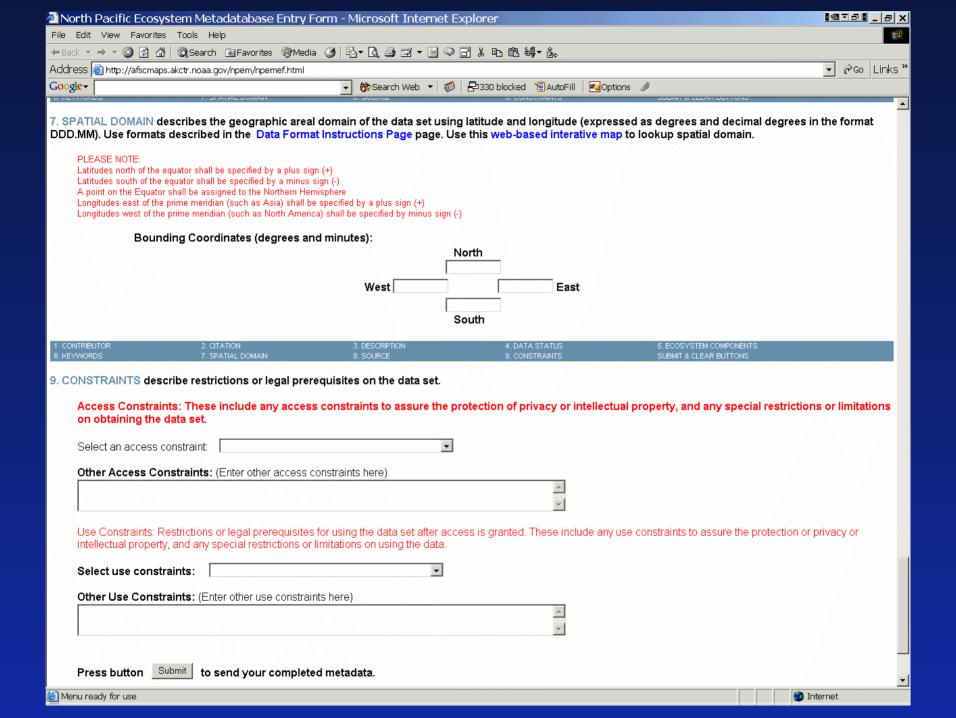






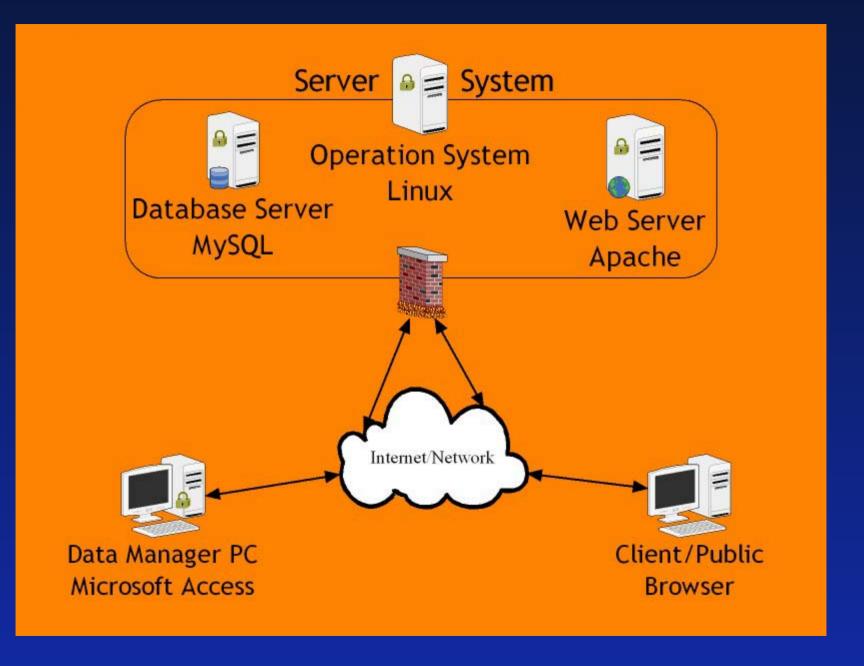






### Benefits of using NPEM

- ✓ helps locate and understand data
- ✓ one-stop Internet source
- ✓ learn about ongoing & existing research
- √ facilitates data sharing



### **Database Security**

- protect data against accidental or intentional loss, destruction, or misuse.
  - establish proper users and privileges
  - safely store or protect data & user info
  - validate data